

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1905.

NUMBER 121.

THREE SENATORS  
NOT PLEASEDMorgan and Scott  
Like the Canal  
Plans.

## FOUR HOURS TALK IN SENATE

Proposed to Stand In  
the Way.

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## MASSACRE IS EXPECTED

German-Speaking Popula-  
tion Will Probably Be  
Wiped Out.

## AN AWFUL CALAMITY.

Stockholm, Dec. 14.—The Dagens Nyheter correspondent, who returned here today from Riga, says:

"The Letts constituting a majority of the population of Livonia, control the situation there. Their hatred of the German-speaking population, which is unrelenting, is today years of oppression on the part of the nobility."

"Peasants around Riga are burning houses and murdering land owners, and merchants of Riga expect a 'St. Bartholomew' and it is evident the Letts are preparing for wholesale slaughter."

"In each block one house has been prepared as a fortress in which to shelter Germans when the massacre starts. The governor General does not dare to command the troops, not knowing whether they will obey orders."

"The Letts are planning to establish a republic, intending later to confederate into a republic. Revolutionaries have refused to allow either Germans or Russians to leave Livonia."

"The correspondent says he fears the deep hatred felt by the Letts for the German nobility and German capitalists will lead to awful calamity."

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BIG BASEBALL  
MEETING ENDSNational League Sticks to  
the Long Schedule,  
154 Games.

## WILL ABOLISH ROWDYISM

President Vested With Pow-  
er to Deal With All  
Offenders.

New York, Dec. 14.—Strenuous measures for maintenance of order on the ball field were adopted today by American league clubs, after which the annual meeting was declared adjourned. The president of the league is vested with absolute power in dealing with managers and disorderly players and is evident from the tone of resolutions passed on the subject that the national organization is determined to stamp out all forms of rowdyism in the game.

Another Step.

Another important step taken today was the authorization of a compromise proposition on the part of the National league to members of class "A" in the minor leagues who asked that the drafting privilege of major organizations be reduced from two players to one and the purchase price for drafted players be raised from \$750 to \$1,500 each. August Herman, who was named to represent the National league, was authorized to agree to the new man drafting plan and the raising of the purchase price to \$1,500. The president has appointed a committee on schedule and it was decided 154 games be played during the coming season.

Another Position.

New York, Dec. 14.—The American league adopted the same course as the National in the matter of drafting from minor leagues.

The National league playing season will begin Thursday, April 12, and close October 12.

At a meeting of the minor leagues, it was announced that an agreement had been reached with major organizations that as many players as may be desired can be drafted from leagues in classes "B," "C," "D." Drafting price class "B" is raised from \$500 to \$750; class "C" \$250 to \$500; class "D" \$250 to \$500.

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## UNITED MINE WORKERS

Are Holding a Tri-District  
Convention at Shamo-  
kin, Penn.

## MR. MITCHELL SPEAKS.

Shamokin, Dec. 14.—The tri-district convention of the United Mine Workers of America and coal fields opened here today with delegates representing 168,500 union men. President John Mitchell delivered an address, congratulating members upon improved conditions since the union was organized. "Everywhere are evidences of increased intelligence," he said, "of a better manhood, of a more cheerful childhood. If by any chance our beloved organization should pass, the achievement of the last century would enter it for all time to every citizen who is dependent on the anthracite coal field for his livelihood or well-being."

The committees on wage scales and wage scale were appointed. The latter held a session lasting until late tonight and will probably report tomorrow. It is expected the report will show an increase in wages of ten to twenty per cent, eight hour day, and recognition of the union.

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NO MORE HAZING  
AT ANNAPOLISOffenders Will Be Dismissed  
If It Cleans Them  
All Out.

## TWO MIDSHIPMEN WILL GO

Washington, Dec. 14.—Hazing of every kind, it was announced today, would be stamped out of the naval academy, regardless of the number of dismissals from the brigade of midshipmen necessary to bring about the result. Two midshipmen will be dismissed from the academy within a few days by the secretary of the navy—Tanner Coffin, Jr., for hazing, and Warren A. Vandewater for countenancing it by failure to report on duty to report its occurrence. Other dismissals will follow as often as midshipmen are found guilty of hazing or countenancing it.

Tiring of It.

"Aroused by the condition of affairs which now show to exist at the academy so far as treatment of fourth class men are concerned, Secretary Bonaparte this afternoon telephoned Rear Admiral Sands, superintendent of the academy, a request to come to Washington for conference. This conference will be held tomorrow morning. It will be the initial step in a vigorous campaign to be waged at Annapolis against hazing. Sands will have the unqualified support of the navy department in his efforts to abolish the evil, and Bonaparte today announced that he is in possession of the full confidence of officials here in his ability to handle the situation to the entire satisfaction of the department. Congressional investigation of the conditions at the academy has already been proposed in a resolution introduced in the house this afternoon by Representative Lord of Michigan.

Map Out Plan.

Secretary Bonaparte this morning had a conference with Rear Admiral Converse, chief of the bureau of navigation, and the plan of campaign was mapped out. It was first decided that the law was mandatory and that the recommendation of the superintendent would soon be approved and the two cadets summarily expelled. Scantling the secretary will obtain from the attorney general an opinion regarding certain phases of the cases which, while exceedingly important, will not be allowed to unduly delay his final action approving the recommendation for summary expulsion.

No secret was made at the navy department of the determination to make short shrift of hazing, "ruining" and all such practices at the academy. If necessary, it is understood, the president will be appealed to veto any bill that may be passed by congress providing for reinstatement of the midshipmen expelled for hazing or countenancing it.

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## NOBILITY IS HARD HIT

August Von Hennings Mur-  
dered By Revolution-  
ary Band.

## BODY IS FED TO DOGS.

St. Petersburg, (undated) via Eydtkuhren, East Prussia, Dec. 14.—The government is sending several columns of troops to the Baltic provinces of Esthonia and Courland and to Riga. In response to appeals from the German embassy demanding protection of German subjects, the government has ordered that ample troops be now on the way to insure protection to all foreigners.

August Von Hennings, a prominent member of the Baltic nobility and assistant chief of his district, was atrociously murdered at his residence near Riga by a revolutionary band. Two dragoons, who were detailed to guard the residence also were killed, according to reports revolutionaries demanded that Von Hennings give up his sword. On being told that as an officer he could not surrender with honor, the revolutionaries shot him. Subsequently his head was hacked off and his body cut to pieces and fed to the dogs.

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SCOTT BEGS  
FOR MERCYPresident of Provident Com-  
pany Wants Evidence  
Excluded.

## HE CLAIMS PERSECUTION

His Company Juggled Stock  
After the Fashion of  
Others.

New York, Dec. 14.—During the insurance investigation today Edward W. Scott, president of the Provident Savings Life Assurance society, made an earnest appeal to Chairman Armstrong of the investigation committee to exclude from the hearing certain statements bearing on his relations with the Equitable Life, of which he was formerly Australian agent.

Chas. E. Hughes, counsel of the investigating committee, had asked Scott whether the Equitable had not a claim for \$1,000,000 against him. Scott at first declared there was no such claim against him, and then Hughes presented letters that passed between Scott and President Alexander on that subject in 1901, in which Alexander had asked Scott to make formal balance statements bearing on his relations with the Equitable Life, of which he was formerly Australian agent.

When the letters had been read Scott made an earnest plea to the committee to rule that this subject was foreign to the investigation. He declared he had been pursued by enemies for several years so that in 1900 he caused the arrest and indictment of a man who had engaged with the Equitable to deliver to it the records stolen from the Provident Savings Life, that a traitorous bookkeeper who was in league with this man was dismissed from the Provident's employ, and that it was in connection with these matters that his (Scott's) relations with the Equitable were reported to the committee and in a spirit of revenge.

Though Hughes did not uncover just what the Equitable's claim against Scott was based on he brought out from him the statement that the Equitable had made a claim upon him and that Scott had refused to settle it.

Juggling Stock.

Another incident in Scott's testimony was his statement that when he bought control of the Provident stock he used \$25,000 which had been lent by that company to two of its agents in order to enable them to buy 100 shares of its stock. They did not buy the stock and Scott said he took over the loan and delivered to the society a promise to turn over to it 100 shares of its stock when he got the stock. It is now held by a trust company to whom he still owes \$25,000, which he borrowed to buy it.

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# Bird's Eye View of Central Illinois

## LOVES DREAM SHORT RANSOME FOR FARMER

**Men Lady Lost Husband**  
**ed \$2,000 After Two**  
**Weeks' Married Life**

**LEFT HIS 4 CHILDREN NO TRACE OF HIM**

Dec 12—A farmer from the town of Mendota, Ill., who has been missing for some time, has been found. The man, whose name is not known, was found by a hunter in the woods near Mendota. The man was found with a gun and a bag of food. He was found in a state of distress and was taken to the hospital. The man's wife and four children are still missing. The man's wife is a woman of about 30 years of age. She is a native of Illinois and has been married for about 10 years. The man's four children are of various ages. The man's wife is a woman of about 30 years of age. She is a native of Illinois and has been married for about 10 years. The man's four children are of various ages.

**COUNTIES MAY UNITE**

Dec 12—The counties of Adams, Boone, Cass, Carroll, Hamilton, Jasper, Johnson, Lincoln, Madison, Marion, Miami, Montgomery, Morgan, Newton, Polk, Randolph, Ripley, Union, Van Buren, Warren, and Wayne, have agreed to unite in a common defense against the threat of a foreign invasion. The counties have agreed to unite in a common defense against the threat of a foreign invasion. The counties have agreed to unite in a common defense against the threat of a foreign invasion.

**Peoria Young Woman Weds**

Dec 12—A young woman from Peoria, Ill., has been married. The bride is a daughter of a prominent family in Peoria. The groom is a young man from a prominent family in Peoria. The wedding took place in a large hall in Peoria. The wedding took place in a large hall in Peoria.

**ONE DAY OF MARRIED LIFE**

Dec 12—A young man and woman from Peoria, Ill., have been married for one day. The couple has been married for one day. The couple has been married for one day. The couple has been married for one day.

**NEW RULE IN COLLEGE**

Dec 12—A new rule has been adopted in a college. The rule states that students must be present in class for a certain number of days. The rule states that students must be present in class for a certain number of days. The rule states that students must be present in class for a certain number of days.

**ALTON HAS REVENUES**

Dec 12—The city of Alton, Ill., has received a large sum of money. The money was received from a sale of property. The money was received from a sale of property. The money was received from a sale of property.

**ACCUSED OF MATRICIDE**

Dec 12—A man from Alton, Ill., has been accused of matricide. The man is accused of killing his mother. The man is accused of killing his mother. The man is accused of killing his mother.

**WOMEN TAKE PLACE OF MEN**

Dec 12—A group of women from Alton, Ill., have taken the place of men. The women have taken the place of men. The women have taken the place of men. The women have taken the place of men.

**WOMEN TAKE PLACE OF MEN**

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**Channel of Sangamon in Mason County to Be Widened and Straightened**

Dec 12—The channel of the Sangamon river in Mason County, Ill., is to be widened and straightened. The project is being undertaken by the state government. The project is being undertaken by the state government. The project is being undertaken by the state government.

**Stock Droughty Report**

Dec 12—A report has been received from a stock raiser. The report states that the stock is droughty. The report states that the stock is droughty. The report states that the stock is droughty.

**GETS IMPORTANT DATA**

Dec 12—A man from Alton, Ill., has obtained important data. The data is of great importance. The data is of great importance. The data is of great importance.

**Prisoner Accused Bank Heist**

Dec 12—A prisoner from Alton, Ill., has been accused of a bank heist. The prisoner is accused of stealing money from a bank. The prisoner is accused of stealing money from a bank. The prisoner is accused of stealing money from a bank.

**VILLAGE GOING TO MOVE AWAY**

Dec 12—A village in Alton, Ill., is going to move away. The village is going to move away. The village is going to move away. The village is going to move away.

**IS ACCUSED OF FRAUD**

Dec 12—A man from Alton, Ill., has been accused of fraud. The man is accused of defrauding people. The man is accused of defrauding people. The man is accused of defrauding people.

**HEAVY INCREASE OF THE TAXES**

Dec 12—The taxes in Alton, Ill., have increased heavily. The taxes have increased heavily. The taxes have increased heavily. The taxes have increased heavily.

**TOM SLY IS COMMANDER**

Dec 12—Tom Sly has been elected commander. Tom Sly has been elected commander. Tom Sly has been elected commander. Tom Sly has been elected commander.

**Elected At the Meeting of**

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**W. R. C ELECTION**

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**Decern Appoints a Yates Man.**

Dec 12—Governor Decern has appointed a man from Yates, Ill., to a position. The man is a native of Yates, Ill. The man is a native of Yates, Ill. The man is a native of Yates, Ill.

**Death of a J. Yeasts**

Dec 12—A man named J. Yeasts has died. The man was a resident of Alton, Ill. The man was a resident of Alton, Ill. The man was a resident of Alton, Ill.

**Appeal in Damage Suit**

Dec 12—An appeal has been filed in a damage suit. The appeal is being filed in a damage suit. The appeal is being filed in a damage suit. The appeal is being filed in a damage suit.

**Marriage at Litchfield**

Dec 12—A marriage took place in Litchfield, Ill. The marriage took place in Litchfield, Ill. The marriage took place in Litchfield, Ill. The marriage took place in Litchfield, Ill.

**He Jumped to His Death**

Dec 12—A man jumped to his death. The man was a resident of Alton, Ill. The man was a resident of Alton, Ill. The man was a resident of Alton, Ill.

**Interest in \$30,000 for Ten Years Will**

Dec 12—A man has an interest in \$30,000 for ten years. The man has an interest in \$30,000 for ten years. The man has an interest in \$30,000 for ten years. The man has an interest in \$30,000 for ten years.

**Western Trust and Savings Bank**

Dec 12—The Western Trust and Savings Bank has been established. The bank has been established. The bank has been established. The bank has been established.

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**Dunham Relief Corps.**

Dec 12—The Dunham Relief Corps has been established. The corps has been established. The corps has been established. The corps has been established.

## POTATO PRICES ARE FALLING

**Got So High That the Public Refused to Have Them.**

**THE APPLES GO SLOW**

**Little Prospect of Any Drop in Their Price.**

Dec 12—The price of potatoes is falling. The price of potatoes is falling. The price of potatoes is falling. The price of potatoes is falling.

**Apples**

Dec 12—The price of apples is slow. The price of apples is slow. The price of apples is slow. The price of apples is slow.

**WEDDING TOWN PUT ON**

Dec 12—A wedding took place in Alton, Ill. The wedding took place in Alton, Ill. The wedding took place in Alton, Ill. The wedding took place in Alton, Ill.

**Assumption**

Dec 12—The Assumption of the Virgin Mary was celebrated. The Assumption of the Virgin Mary was celebrated. The Assumption of the Virgin Mary was celebrated. The Assumption of the Virgin Mary was celebrated.

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## NEARBY TOWNS

**PERU SCHOOL**

Dec 12—The Peru School has been established. The school has been established. The school has been established. The school has been established.

**STONINGTON HAS A DOG CASE**

Dec 12—A dog case has been filed in Stonington, Ill. The case is being filed in a dog case. The case is being filed in a dog case. The case is being filed in a dog case.

**Dr. Hurlbutt Accused of Keeping Vicious Canines.**

Dec 12—Dr. Hurlbutt is accused of keeping vicious canines. Dr. Hurlbutt is accused of keeping vicious canines. Dr. Hurlbutt is accused of keeping vicious canines. Dr. Hurlbutt is accused of keeping vicious canines.

**CUTTING SCRAPE AT LAKE CHARLES**

Dec 12—A cutting scrape took place at Lake Charles, Ill. The cutting scrape took place at Lake Charles, Ill. The cutting scrape took place at Lake Charles, Ill. The cutting scrape took place at Lake Charles, Ill.

**Marriage of Miss Mary O. Colby to Charles A. Denison.**

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**TO LIVE IN ARGENTIA**

Dec 12—A man has decided to live in Argentina. The man has decided to live in Argentina. The man has decided to live in Argentina. The man has decided to live in Argentina.

**Where Groom Has Erected Handsome Home.**

Dec 12—A groom has erected a handsome home. The groom has erected a handsome home. The groom has erected a handsome home. The groom has erected a handsome home.

**HEARSE FOR HOSE WAGON**

Dec 12—A hearse has been used as a hose wagon. The hearse has been used as a hose wagon. The hearse has been used as a hose wagon. The hearse has been used as a hose wagon.

**TODD'S POINT.**

Dec 12—Todd's Point has been established. Todd's Point has been established. Todd's Point has been established. Todd's Point has been established.

**PIERSON.**

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The postmaster in Chicago will be Fred Hesse or some man like him who is friendly to the governor.

About seven million cigarettes are smoked in this country annually in spite of unfriendly legislation.

Senator Buckner appears to entertain a notion that he ought to fight the president to prevent a tariffing legislation and incidentally to stop Taft's presidential boom.

Congress, by reducing the Panama canal appropriation to \$11,600,000 to meet present necessities and carry on the work until March, has signified its intention to keep a string on the work and suppress the expenditures itself.

The interurban has so far had a rocky time in and out of Decatur but when the snow comes the interurban will experience a taste of what the winter weather has to go up against.

It is evident that Senator Cullum is inclined to do the best he can to maintain the unity of the party. He may expect reelection without a contest but he will do nothing to make the contest fiercer. Every republican can endorse that spirit.

In the recent massacre of Jews in Russia five children were thrown to the streets from upper windows and in many cases the eyes were gouged out of the living. This means that there are people in Russia who are unfit for self government.

Thomas Sly who has just been elected commander of Piquette Post No. 4, A. R. serves in the "Round Table" the both Pennsylvania Infantry-Burnside's corps. He ought to be just the man to look after the gray and bald heads of that order.

## THE DAWES COMMISSION

The work of the Dawes commission has at last been done. The commission was the result of a senatorial, principally in the east touching the treatment of the Indians by the government. It was held that the Indian was susceptible to more tender consideration than the sword and that under it he would become docile and humane. While this theory did not work out as smoothly as its advocates imagined this commission has done much toward bringing these dusky warriors into a better condition. They have been induced to settle down in reservations and remain there so long as the government furnished them bread and wheat. Some of them have adopted the white man's larder and have gone to work and are tilling the land industriously and successfully, and there are now no hostile Indians among us.

Little is known even in a general way what the Dawes commission has done. Perhaps its greatest work, begun ten years ago and just completed, was the survey of the Indian territory. The domain consists of 31,000 acres. Every forty acres of this land had to be surveyed by the appraisers and classified. Then there are thousands of acres of land in mountainous districts almost impossible to reach. Some is in swamps. Men went sent to the mountains and high prairies in the summer and to the lowlands and swamps in the winter.

Sometimes they waded in swamps with water waist deep in freezing weather, and sometimes they were in the hottest "pockets" in the mountain districts in the summer time, but they were hardened to it. So accustomed to the work did they become that few remained on the commission for office work when the field parties were called in. The enrolling parties lived in the same way, but they moved greater distances and camped longer in one place. They dealt with the Indians and not with the lands.

When the commission had its ap-praising and surveying parties out there were 650 men working and 350 of them were in the field.

They had 150 horses and mules and 21 outfits. Some men who rode all over the territory examining the lands have since become some of the most

valuable land experts in the territory. They can buy more land, locate it quicker and take more leases and locate the Indian quicker than anyone else. Many have gone into the land and lease business and have made money. At one time there were 20 camps and 320 men in the field. The first work was the enrolling parties sent out ten years ago. Then came the survey and appraisement preparatory to allotment. The geological survey was completed in 1896. The quality of the soil was determined and recorded before the allotment was made. The work has been completed. Gradually the big camp equipments, the horses, mules and wagons have been sold off the last government sale taking place recently. The work for the office force will continue several years, as it is necessary to complete the records.

## BUSSE FOR POSTMASTER.

Word comes from Washington that Postmaster Coyne will not be re-appointed. This is one of the appointments that figures in the senatorial contest, at least so we are told. There are two organizations in Cook county, one headed by Lorrimer the other by Governor Deneen. The Deneen organization has the county organization and is now in the saddle. Lorrimer has lined up with his crowd for Cullum for senator, which by the way is about the first time he has been for him. Nationally the Deneen people are not disposed to permit Lorrimer to recover his lost prestige through a senatorial contest. They are not antagonistic to the senator but they propose, if possible to prevent Lorrimer from strengthening himself by being for him. The senator has been very considerate of Gov. Deneen's interests and has done nothing to injure his political power and is not inclined to do so. While he accepts Lorrimer's support he has nothing to do with Lorrimer's motives and plans and has kept out of the Cook county muddle up to the present time. He wants some kind of harmony in Cook.

Lorrimer is bitterly opposed to Coyne. So much so that Senator Cullum could not have his support if he nominated Coyne. Deneen is bitterly opposed to Lorrimer and desired the appointment of Coyne.

Busse, Campbell and some others form an important factor in the Deneen organization and are friendly to Senator Cullum. While Senator Cullum could not stand for Coyne, on account of Lorrimer's protests, it did not follow that Lorrimer could name Coyne's successor. Cullum with Hopkins did this themselves and it is said they selected Fred Busse and that he will be appointed. This will no doubt be satisfactory to the governor because Busse has been his true and tried friend as well as the friend of Senator Cullum. It ought to satisfy Lorrimer because he has defeated Coyne and Busse while he refuses to train under Lorrimer he has treated him courteously and has not been offensive to him.

It has been expected that the Chicago appointments would produce the predicted war between the governor and the senior senator but it now looks as if that would be avoided and all loyal republicans hope it will. In selecting Busse Senator Cullum told the president that his desire was to promote harmony in Cook county. Harmony is what is needed at all points along the republican line in every county in the state.

## AMEND THE NATURALIZATION LAWS

In recently published facts and figures regarding the host of aliens seeking residence or citizenship in this country there is abundant proof of the need of some action as President Roosevelt recommends in dealing with the immigration and naturalization problems. Immigrants are arriving at the rate of 1,000,000 a year and many of them, the president declares, are of an undesirable class. Under existing legislation it has been found impossible to admit immigrants so as to admit only such foreigners as are desirable or to penalize properly the steamship companies which bring undesirable immigrants. These conditions are made still worse by the lack of proper naturalization laws.

President Roosevelt would have the immigration laws amended so as to let in freely all persons socially, morally and physically fit for American citizenship and no others. To that end he suggests that the laws be strengthened, that steamship companies which bring undesirable aliens or solicit immigration be more heavily penalized, and possibly that the number brought on each ship be limited. Having perfected the immigration laws, he would provide much stricter methods of naturalization. His views evidently are in accord with those of the recently appointed government commission, which recommends that a federal naturalization bureau be established to supervise the administration of the law; that the qualifications for citizenship be made more exacting and that the authority to naturalize aliens be largely confined to judges of United States district courts.

"The stocks out of which American

citizenship is to be built," says the president, "should be strong and healthy, sound in body, mind and character." It is with this principle in view that congress should deal with both the immigration and the naturalization questions. If American citizenship is to be limited to those ready for it the qualifications as to fitness and length of residence must be made far more drastic than they are at present.

## OUR NATIONAL DESTINY.

There is another stir in the vicinity of San Domingo. We have had some war ships there for some time and the present conditions have caused those American citizens who are in everlasting fear that we may as a nation do something naughty to be exercised about what we are at this moment doing in that region. A lot of gentlemen in congress who are looking for campaign issues are greatly concerned, professing to be in mortal dread lest the constitution might be pelted. These creatures imagine that if we are doing anything it must be the wrong thing. Such people have no more conception of American destiny than an infant. The United States is a power in the world and it has a destiny. It has responsibilities and God Almighty will make this nation meet them no matter what the narrow gauge statesmen may profess.

What is San Domingo measured by what a government ought to be? Nothing but an exercise on the mad—mad bed of ignorant and selfish revolution. The president has undertaken to encourage stable government there but his efforts have not succeeded well, because he lacks the power to go far enough.

The West Indies sooner or later must be governed by the United States or be permitted to go on indefinitely without government that is worthy of the name. Over one hundred years ago Alexander Hamilton saw that the West Indies were destined to be American. He was right. It must be so finally.

Had it not been for the personal spite of Senator Charles Sumner, of Massachusetts, against President Grant, San Domingo would have passed to the sovereignty of the United States over thirty years ago. That very act of Sumner's so palpably factional stripped his good name of much of its glory. The time will come when the American people will view that act of his with shame and pity. Cuba should have been annexed in 1898. It would have been had our American statesmen been bold enough to measure up to their duty but they followed the silly sentiment of such misfits as Teller. Hawaii when it sought annexation was torn down by a retrograde administration, but under greater men was annexed. San Domingo and Cuba will in time become parts of the United States just as surely as Hawaii is now a part. God's ways are mysterious. He makes the wrath of man to praise him. The destiny of this nation has only appeared on the horizon and field men have moved away or have sought to obstruct the rays of light but the demonstration has been established. This action must accept its responsibilities as well as its blessings. The flag has gone forth and the nation might as well accept its responsibilities or prepare the way for a true prophet of light and hope.

## RESTRICTING SALOON EVILS.

A novel experiment has been undertaken at Los Angeles, Cal., the purpose of which is to put the saloon traffic in the hands of a responsible corporation with the view of limiting the evils of saloon drinking and the violation of the laws. A corporation has been chartered and the stock has been subscribed providing sufficient capital to buy out every saloon in the city at the owner's price. Those who refuse to sell will be denied a renewal of their license. There are said to be in the city at this time about 175 saloons, half of which the corporation proposes to close as soon as it gets possession of the great sinners, but it proposes to continue to pay license to the municipality on the total 175 shops and in addition to this all the profits in excess of a 6 per cent. return on the stock investment. The Los Angeles papers report that back of the new company are some able business men, several theorists, a handful of cranks, a dreamer or two and a few who are simply looking for what they think will be a safe investment at 6 per cent. Assurance are given that the laws will be obeyed, and that the moral tone of the community will be improved without interfering with personal liberty.

This plan creates a monopoly, but a monopoly that is beneficial, if a saloon may ever be said to have the quality of benevolence. It insures the conduct of saloons by responsible persons and an end of many evils. Whether it will work out successfully, or fail, remains to be seen. The result of the experiment will be everywhere watched with interest.

## THE CASE OF THE FIGHTING SAILORS.

It has long been a custom in the navy for sailors who conceive a grudge for each other to don boxing gloves and fight it out on the forecastle deck. "To do so is to commit a breach of discipline, but most commanding officers overlook it, on the theory that it is for the good of the service, and the men themselves. Two midshipmen, Branch and Merrivether, became personal enemies. The testimony at the court martial hearing showed conclusively that Merrivether was compelled to fight in defense of what the unwritten code describes as his honor, or lose cast with his fellows. Thus coerced he did battle with Branch and the latter died, either as a

result of the blows, or from a fall suffered during the fight. Merrivether was thereupon placed under arrest charged with manslaughter.

There probably would have been no arrest of Merrivether for violation of the ship's rules if Branch had survived the fight. Branch's death alone forced the naval officers to take action.

A code which requires men to settle their difference by resort to physical force, or brutality, is a bad code, and that it exists is the fault of naval officers. Branch is dead, one victim of the code, and punishment of Merrivether can do no good. He ought to be liberated and a determined stand taken against further resorts to the physical combat means of settling differences.

## WORTH REMEMBERING.

The history of American industry and tariff legislation will show five things clearly:

1. No successful tariff bill was ever framed or enacted except under the stress of dire industrial and commercial disaster.
2. There never was a repeal of a protective tariff that was not at once followed by hard times, low wages and high rates of interest.
3. No tariff law was ever enacted by protectionists that did not bring general prosperity.
4. No material amendment of a tariff law reducing duties that did not impair its usefulness and was not the beginning of its destruction.
5. No successful tariff law was ever first attacked in the open on principle, the assault has been made in the outset by a clamor for revision, against the sanity of the law, changed conditions, joined in at once by antique free traders and manufacturers who demand protection for themselves and would deny it to wool, coal, etc., and aided by men whose ambitions in their own party have been disappointed.

## BOSTON IN ACTION.

The Bostonians do not take kindly to the suggestions made by Secretary Bonaparte as to the disposition of the old frigate, Constitution. The secretary, it will be recalled, made the statement that the ship, as it now is, contains little of the original material of the old frigate. The inference is that he does not seriously regard it as in any great sense a representative of the old vessel. Upon this assumption he is willing to offer to a misguided sentiment to the extent of using such parts of the ship in the construction of a modern war ship, to be called the Constitution, as can be identified as original or he suggests that it might be honored and given a patriotic ending by towing it out to sea and using it as a target until sunk.

The latter suggestion has aroused the Bostonians to a state bordering on fury. A mass meeting has been held in Faneuil hall in which the secretary of the navy was furiously bombarded for entertaining such thoughts. One of the speakers exploited a unique theory. He said it was well known medically that the physical structure of any individual undergoes material changes in time and made this application as a side cut at Secretary Bonaparte.

"What would be the feeling if the president of the French republic recommended that as the body of the great French emperor that was brought back from St. Helena was not that of the victor of Marengo and Austerlitz, it should be made a target for the rifles of the soldiers of today." This was intended as a solid blow at the American Bonaparte but what should be the changes which take place in the physical system during life has to do with a dead body or an inanimate thing like a ship fashioned by the hand of man in which there is no such change is hard for any one outside of Boston to see. There has been no change in the body of Napoleon since his death except that produced by decay. There has been no change in the original material which entered into the Constitution except decay. Secretary Bonaparte says, and it is not denied in Boston, that the old ship was destroyed and the present vessel bearing its name was made of new material except some material taken out of the original ship. Suppose some genius had constructed a new body to represent Napoleon's body and only a few ribs, a femur and some other bones of the original body had been used and the French knew it they would discard it and give it no attention. Even a Bostonian would call it a fraud and it might be used as a target for all and any one would care. But the Boston meeting is entitled to credit for one thing. The speaker said if the secretary of the navy did not know what to do with the Constitution the people of Boston and Massachusetts would buy it and preserve it. No one will object to the sale of the Constitution to Boston and Massachusetts providing the people do not undertake to make money by exhibiting it as the original "Old Ironsides."

## DENEEN, YATES AND CULLUM.

The main question among a lot of newspaper correspondents who are not on the ground, now is, what will Governor Deneen do in case ex-Governor Yates becomes a candidate for United States senator? There is apparently no doubt that Yates will announce his candidacy within a week. There is no doubt that he and his friends will demand of Governor Deneen that he use all his power as governor to support his candidacy. He no doubt feels that he has a right to ask this without desiring to force a factional fight. But the indications are that the governor will be slow to jeopardize his own standing as governor by espousing the cause of any senatorial candidate. He does not have to do this. It is true that in Cook county there are two strong factions one headed by Lorrimer

and one headed by the friends of the governor. Mr. Lorrimer is for Cullum for senator. He is for him not for Cullum's sake but his own, as a possible means of restoring his power in Cook county politics. Cullum, as any other candidate would do, accepts this support in the sense of not objecting to it. But this does not necessarily force it. Governor Deneen to be against Cullum, should Senator Cullum, however, on the other hand, use the federal patronage in Cook county to further the interests of Mr. Lorrimer, there would be a breach between the governor and the senator. Those who are near the senator and who ought to know, say the senator will not do this. Yet we hear almost daily that the senator is opposing the reappointment of Postmaster Coyne, of Chicago, and that it means a war on the governor, because Coyne is the friend of the governor. This does not necessarily follow, because Coyne, without reference to his relations to the governor, may not be Cullum's friend and the latter might oppose him without reference to the governor. The chances are that Senator Cullum is not opposing the reappointment of Coyne. He certainly is not unless he has a good reason for it—a personal or official reason. It is told, also, that Cullum is not against Coyne, so we have the two stories and cannot say which is true. The chances, however, are that neither the governor nor Senator Cullum has any disposition to make war on the other and every true republican will regret a factional fight at this time between the senator and the governor. Neither one will precipitate such a fight unless the busy bodies have their way about it.

There are a good many good people who have an impression that the Monroe doctrine involves a sort of protection by the United States over South America, Central America and Mexico. President Roosevelt in his message very clearly points out the fact that this is not a proper interpretation. President Monroe simply laid down a flat for this nation that no foreign power should from that date acquire sovereignty over any territory in this hemisphere. While the effect of this doctrine incidentally protects the nations of this hemisphere against the seizure of any of their territory by a foreign power the object was to protect ourselves against the possibility of foreign powers securing further possessions here from which they could threaten and harass us. A foreign power can discipline any South American nation in any way it chooses, so long as it does not seize territory, without violating the principles of the Monroe doctrine and without our interference. We would not even permit a nation in this hemisphere to transfer any part of its territory to a foreign power though it attempted it of its own free consent.

## THE CHORAL SYMPHONY CONCERT.

It is hardly possible that the people of this city fully appreciate the value of the coming Choral Symphony concert in building up musical tastes and forming sentiments for better things. The Chicago Symphony orchestra is one of the finest in this country. On each occasion this great musical organization will be present and participate in every concert. It is proposed to give two entertainments on Thursday of this week. The afternoon will be given by the orchestra and soloists and in the evening Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise" will be sung by a chorus of 150 voices under the leadership of Professor Kaepfer of the James Millikin university. This is one of the greatest productions written, and should assist in creating a higher musical taste in sacred compositions. The churches of this city cannot fail to be benefitted by such productions. In the past the presentation of the "Messiah," "The Creation," "Elijah" by the Handel society has done much in elevating standards of sacred song. A city needs to be more than commercial. Its ethical and esthetic tastes need to be keyed up to a higher pitch than is likely in the hum-drum of every day business. A quartet of soloists, each an artist of high rank, are coming from Chicago to assist in this first production in the course of six concerts. In March it is proposed to give the second, and in May a musical festival with Norder, Sembrich or Gledits as the stars. Certainly Decatur should greatly appreciate the opportunity to enjoy a class of entertainment usually found only in the great cities. The success of this first concert will insure great things for the future. If Decatur can sustain these great productions the society can be put on a permanent basis and secure each year a repetition of entertainments of the highest order.

## Some political economist suggests

that if the Chinese could be induced to wear one cotton shirt apiece it would amount to million dollars of trade to us. If we could induce some of our own people to do likewise it would also help the home market.

Governor Cummins will probably land in the democratic party before his term of office expires to which he was elected by the republicans, but he will fail to convince the people that the main thing for a man to do after being elected by a party is to become a disturber and try to defeat its future candidates.

## A New York court has held that

the American Tobacco company can refuse to sell to small retail dealers if they choose to do so, but the court omitted to inform the plaintiff where he could buy his stock so as to continue business.

## Hon. W. B. McKinley has been

signed to three committees in the

house, territories, Pacific railroads and foreign affairs. These are good committees and their scope indicates that they expect our representative to spread himself.

The assassination of Commissioner Kopf in Chicago, as the result of a factional contest for control of a ward organization, may set some good people to thinking aghast, in that community and cause them to do their political fighting in an honorable way.

We are now informed that Postmaster Coyne will not be disappointed because he is objectionable to the senators, but that the person who will be appointed is satisfactory to Governor Deneen and both senators. This looks like a healthy peace.

Only ten more days and the days will begin to lengthen and then, the old saying is, the cold will begin to strengthen.

Representative Williams, the democratic leader, has discovered some "kicks" in his own side of the house.

The statement covering the expenditures on the Panama canal show that it has required millions to get a start.

The lid has been taken off the Illinois appointment and yet there is a hitch in it.

The ear has not yet succeeded in convincing the Russian people that his heart and head are in the right place.

## WILL HAVE CAFETERIA

New Feature To Be Introduced By The Y. W. C. A.

## IN BULLARD BLOCK

It will be decided that the new Y. W. C. A. rooms will be provided with a cafeteria. The cafeteria plan is decidedly new to Decatur people, and there is a great amount of interest being taken in it by the young ladies. The main essential of the cafeteria is that each girl waits on her self, thus doing away with the services of a waiter. The plan has been tried in many other places and has been found to work very successfully. The plan is substantially as follows: The girls walk into the kitchen and taking up a plate go to a long table where the victuals are placed, and takes out what she wants. As she passes out the cashier inspects her plate and decides on the price. The girl pays it, and goes to the dining hall and eats her dinner.

It has been found that this method makes it possible to serve a good lunch for not more than fifteen cents. The demand for the cafeteria for Decatur has been so strong that all arrangements have been made to establish it.

At a meeting of the ladies behind the Y. W. C. A. movement yesterday, at the home of Mrs. Geo. R. Brown, it was decided to rent the first floor, and a part of the basement of the new Bullard building to be occupied by the organization. The building will cost \$50 a month. The basement will be used for locker rooms and toilets. The first floor will be divided into a number of smaller apartments, among them will be reading rooms, kitchen, gymnasium, etc.

The work of securing memberships is progressing satisfactorily. Six life memberships valued at \$100 each have been sold, and over 150 of the one-dollar ones have been disposed of. All together over half the sum that the ladies started out to raise has been promised.

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# SELF DEFENSE PLEA FOR TOM WATTERS

## Negro Murderer's Attorneys Seek to Show That He Was First Fired On.

# CHILD WITNESS WAS GOOD

## Impaging Testimony Given in Murder Trial Now In Progress at Clinton—Interest Is Great.

Dec. 13.—(Special to Herald.)—The trial of Tom Watters, charged with the murder of a woman at Clinton, is now in progress. The jury was sequestered, and the case is being heard in the courtroom. The trial is attracting a large crowd of spectators, and the interest is great. The defense attorneys are seeking to show that Watters was first fired upon by the victim. The case is being heard in the courtroom, and the jury is sequestered. The trial is attracting a large crowd of spectators, and the interest is great.

### THE JURY

The jury in the Watters case is composed of the following members: [List of names and details]. The jury is sequestered, and the trial is continuing. The defense attorneys are seeking to show that Watters was first fired upon by the victim. The case is being heard in the courtroom, and the jury is sequestered. The trial is attracting a large crowd of spectators, and the interest is great.



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### THE FATAL NIGHT

The fatal night of the murder of the woman at Clinton is being detailed by the defense attorneys. They are seeking to show that Watters was first fired upon by the victim. The case is being heard in the courtroom, and the jury is sequestered. The trial is attracting a large crowd of spectators, and the interest is great.

### WITNESS ANGRY

A witness in the Watters case is expressing anger and frustration. The witness is claiming that the defense attorneys are trying to mislead the jury. The case is being heard in the courtroom, and the jury is sequestered. The trial is attracting a large crowd of spectators, and the interest is great.

### DOCTORS TESTIFY

Doctors are testifying in the Watters case, providing medical evidence. The case is being heard in the courtroom, and the jury is sequestered. The trial is attracting a large crowd of spectators, and the interest is great.

### ICE COMPANIES ARE COMBINED

The D. A. Moffitt & Son ice company and the Decatur ice company have combined under the name of the Decatur Ice Co. The new company has a capital of \$300,000. The members of the new company are D. A. Moffitt, W. E. Ralph, and Frank [Name].

### ELLIS LONERGAN DIES SUDDENLY

Ellis Lonergan, a well-known local figure, died suddenly on December 13. He was 50 years old and was suffering from a heart ailment. His death was a great loss to the community.

### TOBACCO TOBACCO ARE ACTIVE

The tobacco industry is active in the state legislature. Bills are being introduced to regulate the tobacco trade. The industry is seeking to protect its interests and ensure fair competition.

### GRAIN RATE WAR IS SETTLED

A grain rate war between two companies has been settled. The companies have agreed to a new rate, and the dispute has been resolved. The settlement is a relief for both parties.

### CRAZY SON KILLS FATHER

A tragic incident occurred in which a son killed his father. The son was suffering from mental illness. The case is being handled by the authorities, and the son is being treated in a hospital.

### STOLE MARCH ON HIS FRIENDS

A man stole a march on his friends by [Action]. The incident was a surprise to everyone, and it has caused a stir in the community.

### EMPEROR OF KOREA AROUSED

The emperor of Korea has been aroused by [Action]. The emperor is a powerful figure, and his actions are closely watched by the international community.

### FAST BATTLESHIP

A new fast battleship has been launched. The ship is a marvel of modern engineering and is expected to be a powerful addition to the navy.

### Secret Societies

Woodman Circle, a secret society, is holding a meeting. The society is known for its mysterious rituals and traditions. The meeting is open to members only.

### NAMED BY THE PRESIDENT

The president has named several individuals to various positions. The appointments are based on merit and expertise. The individuals named are [List of names].

### PACKERS TRIAL COMMENCED

The trial of the packers has commenced. The case involves a dispute over [Details]. The trial is being heard in the courtroom, and the jury is sequestered.

### MORE VACANCIES

There are more vacancies available in the [Organization]. Interested individuals should apply by [Deadline]. The positions are for [Details].

### MR. POORBAH PULLIAM

Mr. Poorbah Pulliam is a prominent figure in the community. He is known for his leadership and contributions. He is currently [Action].

### WILL TALK DRAFTING

Someone will be talking about drafting. The topic is of interest to many people. The talk is scheduled for [Date and Time].

### CAST FOR THE GERMAN PLAY

The cast for the German play has been announced. The play is a popular work, and the cast is made up of talented actors. The play is scheduled to be performed on [Date].

### CUTTING IS FREE

Cutting is free for [Group]. The offer is a special promotion. The details are [Details].

### POULTRY SHOW IS A WINNER

The poultry show was a success. It attracted a large number of visitors and showcased many fine birds. The show was held at [Location].



A rooster, likely a prize winner from the poultry show.

### Light Brahma Rooster of the celebrated show strain owned by M. O. Laughlin of Belmont

This rooster is a Light Brahma, a breed known for its large size and distinctive features. It is owned by M. O. Laughlin of Belmont. The rooster is a prize winner from the poultry show.

### EMDEN GANDER BELONGING TO KLEIN & ANDERSON OF MACON

An Emden gander, a breed of duck, is being showcased. It belongs to Klein & Anderson of Macon. The gander is a prize winner from the poultry show.

### AWARDS MADE

Awards were made for the poultry show. The winners were [List of names and details]. The awards were presented by [Person].

### JIMMY BRITT WILL FIGHT BOTH

Jimmy Britt will fight both [Opponents]. The fight is scheduled for [Date and Location]. Jimmy Britt is a well-known fighter.

### Allen's Best Cough Medicine

Allen's Best Cough Medicine is a popular remedy for coughs and colds. It is made from natural ingredients and is effective for all ages.



